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State Evangelistic Conference To Get Under Way In Jackson Jan. 18

One of the highlights of Mississippi Baptist life, the State Evangelistic Conference, will get under way Monday, Jan. 18 in Jackson's First Church.

More than 500 pastors, church and associational leaders and others from over the state are expected to register for the three-day event, scheduled to adjourn at noon Wednesday.

A total of 38 persons, both state and Convention-wide leaders, will have parts in the comprehensive program, to be under general direction of Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, state Director of Evangelism.

Those attending will return to their churches and associations filled with information and inspiration for a greater year in evangelism.

Southern Baptist Convention leaders in evangelism to be present include: Dr. C. E. Matthews, Dr. E. Powell Lee and Dr. Alfred Carpenter, of the Department of Evangelism, and Dr. J. B. Lawrence, secretary-emeritus of the Home Mission Board.

Inspirational speakers will be: Dr. R. C. Campbell, veteran Southern Baptist leader, of Shelby, N.C. (Continued on Page Eleven)

Executive Committee Ups 1955 Cooperative Program Budget

Leadership Conferences To Attract Church Leadership

Every officer, leader and worker in every Mississippi Baptist church is urged to plan now to attend one of the 17 Leadership Conferences and Brotherhood Rallies scheduled for January and February.

The fourth annual tour of the state by a strong group of state and Convention-wide leaders will get underway Monday, Jan. 11 at First Church, Corinth and close at First Church in Pontcharville Feb. 12.

A varied program with several new approaches featuring the fundamental themes of stewardship and missions will be presented.

New faces to appear on this year's program will be Dr. Floyd B. Chaffin, Louisiana's state Baptist executive secretary; B. F. Fox, of Louisville, field representative of the Relief and Annuity Board; Miss Edwina Robinson, state W.M.U. secretary; Dr. E. C. Williams, state Sunday School secretary, and Mrs. W. L. Com-



FLOYD B. CHAFFIN

ore of Parkview Church, Green-
ville.

A special feature this year will be the presentation of "The Cooperative Program in Word and Picture," depicting every phase of (Continued on Page Eleven)

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Executive Committee in its December meeting voted to recommend to the Southern Baptist Convention a Cooperative Program budget of \$9,200,000 for 1955. This is an increase of \$350,000 over the 1954 budget of \$8,850,000. If adopted by the Convention at Saint Louis, Mo., June 2-5, the budget will provide money for three different phases of work for the year 1955.

Operating Budget\$6,100,000
Capital Needs Budget 3,000,000
Convention Operating Budget 100,000

TOTAL \$9,200,000

The operating budget of \$6,100,000 is to be used in current operation of the nineteen institutions and agencies. The capital budget of \$3,000,000 will supply funds for building needs to twelve of the institutions and agencies. The Convention operating budget covers needs of the annual meeting of the Convention and the Executive Committee.

All of the \$350,000 increase is within the operating budget, with changes as follows:

	1954	1955	
	Operating	Operating	Increase
Foreign Mission Board	\$2,875,000	\$2,875,000	
Home Mission Board	710,000	710,000	
Relief and Annuity Board	500,000	500,000	
Southern Baptist Theol. Sem.	286,317	310,317	24,000
Southwestern Bapt. Theol. Sem.	286,317	300,317	14,000
New Orleans Bapt. Theol. Sem.	264,316	333,816	69,500
Golden Gate Bapt. Theol. Sem.	184,650	204,150	19,500
Southeastern Bapt. Theol. Sem.	190,900	235,400	44,500
Amer. Bapt. Theol. Sem.	59,000	60,000	1,000
Radio Commission	125,000	200,000	75,000
Carver School of Missions	57,500	61,500	4,000
Southern Baptist Hospital	40,000	40,000	
Baptist Brotherhood Commission	55,000	65,000	10,000
Public Affairs Committee	15,000	15,000	
Baptist World Alliance	25,000	30,000	5,000
Southern Baptist Foundation	15,000	25,000	10,000
Education Commission	22,000	32,000	10,000
Historical Commission	24,000	26,000	2,000
Christian Life Commission	15,000	17,000	2,000
TOTAL	\$5,750,000	6,100,500	350,500

No final agreement was reached on distribution of the 1955 \$3,000,000 capital budget.

The Finance and Administrative Committees were instructed

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BOARD VOTES \$998,475 DENOMINATIONAL CONTRIBUTION

Nashville, Tenn.—(BP)—The Baptist Sunday School Board authorized expenditures of \$998,475 for denominational work in its December meeting. The funds will be used for promotion of Sunday school, training union, church music and student work in Southern Baptist Convention states. The money also will be used for contributions to work of other Convention agencies.

The program calls for \$225,000

for local building improvements, \$250,000 for the Baptist assembly at Glorieta, N. M. and \$50,000 for the assembly at Ridgecrest, N. C.

Local construction, expected to start immediately, will include finishing the seventh floor of the administration building of the Board's buildings in Nashville. Other work in that building will include remodeling of space formerly

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The Year In Religion

BY DR. WINFRED E. GARRISON

(Noted church historian of the University of Houston, Houston, Tex.)

It cannot be helped if the annual survey of religion must begin—as it has begun, year after year—with the statement that church membership has increased faster than the population and is now at an "all-time high" whether viewed numerically or percentage-wise.

The monotony may be somewhat varied this time by adding that for the latest statistical year (figures for the most part representing the calendar year 1952) the churches as a whole had a much higher rate of growth than they have enjoyed for several decades.

A net gain of 3,604,124 in the membership of all religious bodies in the United States, bringing the total to 92,277,129, shows an increase of nearly 4.1 per cent for the year, as compared with 2.12 per cent for the previous year, which was not far from the average for many preceding years. Numbers do not tell the whole story of the religious life of a nation, but they tell something, and this is a truly remarkable increase.

GOOD YEAR FINANCIALLY

One index of the health of an institution that depends on voluntary support is the willingness and generosity with which its members finance its activities. An incomplete compilation indicates that it has been a good year in this respect also. Forty-seven denominations, including about two-thirds of all American Protestants, gave \$1,286,633,160 through church channels, or \$34.32 apiece, an increase of 6.1 per cent over last year's

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Doctrinal Series Starts Next Week

It has taken almost a year to assemble them, but they are all in.

Last January about twenty Mississippi Baptists were asked to write articles on various Baptist beliefs. Some came at once, others later and a few in December.

Baptist Record readers are urged to watch for this series which starts next week. From these articles you will learn what Baptist believe and why.

And these articles are by people here in Mississippi who know Mississippi Baptist and are known by Mississippi Baptist. They will show our readers what their own people are being taught all the time.

Circulation This Week 82,538

The Year In Religion

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per capita rate. The actual rate would probably be still higher, since Roman Catholics, Jews and some other groups of notably liberal givers are not included in these figures.

Those who have the impression that the Sunday school, or church school, is an outmoded institution may be surprised to learn that the enrollment in these schools increased 6.4 per cent, or even faster than the churches. Much of the urgency for introducing religious education into the week-day school program, either in the public schools themselves or through a "released-time" program, has been based on the assumption that the churches are failing to educate their own young. Maybe they are; but the notable increase in Sunday school enrollment suggests that there may be more vitality in that institution than some have supposed, and it may have some bearing on the unprecedented growth of the churches.

Emphasis on evangelism has been a recognizable factor in the activities of the churches, includ-

ing those which do not practice the more conspicuous evangelistic methods that are associated with "revivalism". Whatever the method, the obvious fact is that the churches which grow are those which make a definite and sustained effort to grow—and most of them do.

The Bible continues to be a best-seller. The American Bible Society distributed nearly a million complete Bibles and almost one and a half million New Testaments, besides 11 million "portions." The total sale of the new Revised Standard Version was over 2,500,000 before the end of 1953.

In the general and gradual movement away from discrimination on grounds of race in employment, schools, hotels, transportation and places of public entertainment and assembly, the churches have been somewhat in advance, but not radically so. If the resolutions of church bodies and the acts of their conventions are an index, church sentiment is more "liberal" in this matter than the general average of public opinion; but non-segregated con-

gregations are still rare.

Religious liberty gained ground by some court decisions involving Jehovah's Witnesses. More and more the American principle prevails that the right of any religious group to sound its note does not depend upon the popularity of its message or methods. It is not so in some other countries.

SOVIET RESTRICTIONS EASED

In East Germany all the churches have faced and survived the efforts of a Communist controlled government to sap their strength by imposing penalties for "illegal meetings," cutting off previous subsidies, hindering the raising of voluntary funds, taking over youth organizations, and forbidding social welfare work; but about the middle of the year a sudden change of policy under a new Soviet commissioner removed many of these restrictions.

Roman Catholic activities have been checked in Communist dominated countries. All the previous restrictions upon Protestant liberty in Spain have been reaffirmed in principle and continued in practice. In Colombia Protestant leaders claimed there were 49 attacks on Protestant churches in the 12 months ending July 1953, and that many U. S. citizens, mostly missionaries, have been victims of violence without police interference. Similar events reportedly have occurred in Guatemala and in rural parts of Mexico, where however there were efforts to give police protection.

Many hopes that the broadening of Social Security will include ministers and priests in its coverage, though some see in this an improper church-state connection. One bill introduced into Congress would obviate this by regarding the clergy as "self-employed" thus avoiding any direct dealings between government and churches.

The Plan of Presbyterian Union, a book of 300 pages, was agreed upon by commissions of the three Presbyterian Churches (U. S., U. S. A., and United) in November, 1952. It was circulated for comment, revised by the commissions in April, and submitted to the three General Assemblies in May. The Presbyterian U. S. A. Assembly took affirmative action; the other two approved the plan for study by the churches until May 1954. The union of these three will bring 95 per cent of all Presbyterians into one body.

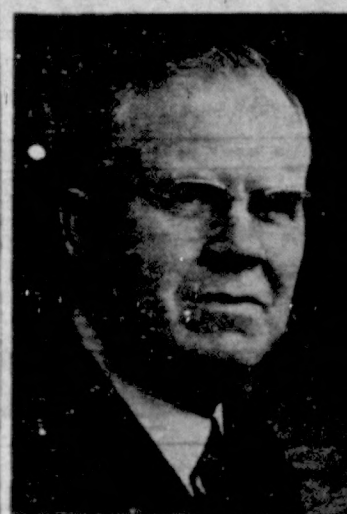
The Unitarians and Universalists consummated a limited union, not a complete merger, by forming a new Council of Liberal Churches to which both denominations will commit such functions as publication, public relations and religious education.

Church World Service, Christian Rural Overseas Program, (CROP) and War Relief Services—National Catholic Welfare Conference and other relief agencies have continued their beneficent activities on behalf of needy areas abroad, to which were added the devastated Greek Islands.

MISSIONARIES GROW IN NUMBER

In spite of the closing of some fields, notably China, the number of Protestant foreign missionaries under American boards increased from 15,000 to 18,000 during 1952. Roman Catholic missions showed

Evangelistic Conference Leaders



DR. R. C. CAMPBELL

Dr. R. C. Campbell, of Shelby, N. C., Veteran Southern Baptist Leader and Dr. Homer Lindsey, pastor of First Church, Jacksonville, Florida, will be among the program personalities for the State Evangelistic Conference January 18-20.



DR. HOMER LINDSEY

a similar growth. Some Roman Catholic and Protestant missionaries were among the captive civilians released in Korea along with prisoners of war. A bishop who was Papal Nuncio in Korea died in captivity. A priest, an Anglican bishop and a Salvation Army commissioner, prisoners of the Communist war, were shipped across Siberia and Russia and released in Berlin.

A Church of Christ missionary from New Zealand, who had been in Africa 18 years, was elected Prime Minister of South Rhodesia. The new International Christian University in Japan opened its college of liberal arts in April. Prof. Emil Brunner of Switzerland ac-

cepted a teaching appointment for three years in that university.

In India there was a celebration of the 1900th anniversary of the legendary arrival of the Apostle Thomas to plant Christianity in that country. Christian missions in Asia and Africa are in process of changing some of their methods, without weakening their message, as they confront the Communist menace, new nationalistic ambitions, racial tensions, revolt against colonial status and anything that looks like "imperialism" emphasis on military power, and preoccupation with urgent economic problems.

Jewish congregations in the U. S. and other Jewish religious in-

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Executive Committee

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to make further recommendations to the Executive Committee in June after consultation with all institutions and agencies involved in the capital budget.

In the crowded two-day session the Executive Committee also:

Voted to close the Southern Baptist Convention in Saint Louis at noon on Saturday instead of continuing through Sunday as in previous years. This changes the dates from June 2-6 to June 2-5. Also heard an announcement of the Committee on Convention Arrangements that the practice of two sessions a day started in 1953 would be carried out in 1954.

Approved appointment of a special committee of seven, including representative from the Home Mission Board, the Women's Missionary Union, and the Baptist Sunday School Board for considering the rapidly developing mission opportunities in the west.

Recognized a request of the Radio Commission to record all sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention at Saint Louis, June 2-5 with an understanding that a copy of the material is to be filed with the Historical Commission.

Continued consideration of a request of the Carver School of Missions for additional operating funds. Also, further consideration of the Bible Institute possibilities.

Approved 111 Opdyke scholarship awards through colleges and academies. The Opdyke fund is an endowment to provide limited scholarship.

Designated John Williams, manager, Book Store Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, to be in charge of allocating space for exhibits.

Approved settlement of the Selma A. Johnson estate in Florida that gives the Executive Committee \$3,500 for its work.

Granted the Baptist Student Department \$1,000 for use in promotion of the Youth Night Program at the Southern Baptist Convention. The money is to come from the Convention operating Budget, but is to be reimbursed from an offering to be taken the night of the meeting. All in excess of the \$1,000 collected will go into the Convention operating budget.

Voted to recommend to the Convention adoption of an amendment to the Bylaws to be known as Bylaw XXI. "The charter of all agencies shall provide that the trustees or directors of such agencies be elected by the Convention, and that their charters may not be further amended without prior consent of the Convention."

Also if proposed Bylaw XXI is adopted, then offer to the Convention a resolution directing Executive Committee to withhold any and all Cooperative Program funds if any institution fails to comply within a twelve month period.

Referred a study of the Braille Evangel, Fort Worth, Texas to the Baptist Sunday School Board for study.

Voted three measures relating to Baptist World Alliance that meets in London in 1955. (1) That Church Music Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board be asked to represent the Southern Baptist Convention in working out any musical representation, (2) that an exhibit representing all the agencies of the Convention be planned for the above, (3) that Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee represent the Executive Committee in a tour of mission fields and at the Baptist World Alliance.

Asked Joe W. Burton to serve as senior secretary in preparation for the Convention at Saint Louis in June.

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You should make a will for your family's sake; otherwise, the court takes control of your estate.

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You should include the will of God in your will.

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Our Thanks

We are grateful for the large number of friends who sent Christmas Greetings. It is impossible to acknowledge all of them. We are asking all to accept these words of our thanks with the wish that 1954 may be the most prosperous year you have ever known both spiritually and materially.

—BR—

SBC Executive Committee Meeting

Few of our readers know about one of the most important groups among Southern Baptists. We refer to the Executive Committee. This committee is composed of a great company of consecrated Christians. They represent all states and sections of our Convention. And they give much time to this work. The recent meeting in Nashville (reported on other pages) required almost a week's time for some and more than a week for others. A similar meeting is held in June and special meetings when the need arises. They receive no pay except expenses.

Much of the detailed work and planning of the Convention is done by this group.

One of its duties is to outline the finance program of the Convention. We sat in on the meetings of the Finance Committee. It was heartbreaking to hear the pleas of the various agencies. Most of them could not be allotted all they asked or needed. But the Committee did a good job of trying to help all of them, as far as expected finances would permit. It should cheer all our readers to know that the finances of all institutions and agencies are in good shape.

All Southern Baptist Editors were invited to this meeting, as they are invited to all meetings of the Executive Committee. Most of them were there. We were present—and feel well repaid for the time, money, effort and expense.

—BR—

Some New Year Goals

Another year is gone but 1954 is here. As we enter the New Year there is a spirit of solemnity about us such as the quiet before the storm.

Mississippi Baptists have much to be proud of as they think of the achievements of 1953. But there is much more to be done. God has set before us challenging opportunities and possibilities.

Let us make 1954 the most significant and glorious year in Mississippi Baptist history. Let us try to enlist ALL in ALL our pro-

gram. All of us are judged by the accomplishments of the total number. Weak, careless, indifferent, lazy and sinning Baptists will lower the average of godly, consecrated, zealous Baptists.

If we would make this year a great one for Mississippi Baptists, let us put ourselves to the task of making 1954 the greatest year of our lives and in the life of our denomination.

We list below some resolutions that should challenge every blood-bought, Christ-loving, and God-serving Baptist.

1. Read God's word daily. Just as our physical being needs daily food so does our spiritual being.

2. Be more faithful to your church. The church exists for the propagation of the Gospel of Christ. Let's support it with our presence, our money and our talents.

3. Know why you are a Baptist. Know what you believe and why.

4. If not a tither start now. Try it. You will like it and the chances are you'll never quit it. It is God's plan. We are sticklers for other Scriptural teachings. Why not for tithing?

5. Seek to win the unsaved. We tell others about our new home, new car, good garden, the doctor who cured us. Why not tell them about the one who saved you?

6. Establish a family altar. Remember that "families that pray together, stay together."

We know of no indifferent families that have a family altar. Choose your own time, read from God's word and pray. You will feel better and do better.

7. Try to live in such a way that the world will be a better world because you lived in it.

8. Be considerate of others. Just because some one disagrees with you doesn't prove him wrong. Sometimes we are wrong and don't know it. None of us is 100 per cent wise. Look for their good points and forget the others.

To all of you, may 1954 bring more glory to God because of you.

—BR—

Our Thirteenth Year

With this issue we begin our thirteenth year as editor of The Baptist Record. For twelve years we have made the editing of The Baptist Record our main work. The Record has been continually on our mind and heart during these years. The work is interesting, and we hope the Record is helpful.

As we start our thirteenth year, we are grateful to so many for so much. Pastors and laymen all over the state have rendered valuable aid. State workers, as well as Baptist Building workers, have



been cooperative and helpful in the promotion of the Record in circulation and editorial content.

We renew our two-fold pledge often made and continually kept.

1. To keep the Baptist Record true to the Bible.

2. To promote the work of Mississippi Baptists and to publish nothing that we think will hurt our work.

We would if we could extend in person our hearty thanks to the multitude of readers who have taken time to write letters of encouragement and approval and even some who have felt it necessary to disapprove. All have been welcomed. They have helped.

We shall try to make the Record more interesting and helpful in the coming year. To aid us in making this wish a fact, we covet the prayers and the continued support of all who love the Lord and the work of Mississippi Baptists.

Help us to make the Record a better paper.

—BR—

A Good Decision

We quote below a recent news dispatch from Religious News Service. Following the quotation we express our own opinion.

"CLEVELAND—An end of suppers and bazaars as fund-raising devices in Evangelical and Reformed churches was forecast here at the third quadrennial meeting of the denomination's Women's Guild.

"In a report of the Guild's stewardship department it was disclosed that E. and R. Women throughout the country were now raising money for the Church through direct giving.

"The report said that suppers and bazaars were being supplanted in local churches by cooperation in the Fellowship of Tithers, which was authorized by the denomination's General Synod in 1950. At that time the Synod issued a call for direct giving for all purposes. The tithers apply the Biblical injunction to set aside at least a tenth of all income for the Lord's work.

Evidently the good women men-

tioned in the above news dispatch have heard about the success of Southern Baptists in promoting tithing. Suppers and bazaars are not God's way of supporting His work. God commands us to give, but He does not command us to raise funds for His work by giving suppers and bazaars. The average supper loses money, everything considered. Count all the work and material and you will find that the people could have given more than they raised at some supper or bazaar.

Nor is there anything in the Bible commanding the unsaved to support God's work. We are sure that donations from outsiders will be welcome and put to a good use. But churches should look for their support to God's people, and the way to support it is through tithes and offerings.

—BR—

Our Readers Write

A VISIT TO MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

After a most pleasurable trip through Europe and Palestine during the months of July and August, it was my joy to show some slides and share my experiences with our friends at Mississippi College.

We were impressed with a number of things in our brief stay at the college. The chapel service was an inspiration. As I stood on the platform there was behind me an able President who has the highest respect of the faculty and students. He is surrounded with a faculty that is well-trained and devoted to duty. Out in front was a sea of faces, bright and optimistic.

It was my privilege to share some of the practical aspects of the ministry with the ministerial group. To my mind it was the most promising group of young ministers I ever had the pleasure of standing before.

Mississippi College has come to her most glorious hour. I thank God for the service she is rendering. The college deserves the wholehearted support of every Mississippi Baptist and every alumni of the college. I have paid my alumni dues and made a modest contribution to the Building Program. In fact, I did not feel respectable until I had done as much. The school, in other days, laid me under an obligation that I cannot discharge with mere lip service.

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First Baptist Church,
Jonesboro, Arkansas.

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

By AUNT POLLY

Inventory Time

The end of the year is time for business houses to take inventory. Many businesses will take a day off to "take stock." Small businesses may stay open, and when a customer enters the store he will note that people are counting rapidly and writing down their findings. Regardless of size, every well-managed business will "take stock." This inventory will reveal how much profit the business has made, and in some business it will show a loss.

I, too am in business and I need to "take stock." My business is for my King. He expects me to have grown in grace, in humility, in honesty, in kindness, in courtesy, in steadfastness, in faithfulness.

When Mary and Joseph found Jesus in the Temple, he told them that he must be about His Father's business. And that is the business of each of us who follow Him. Our best investment is the time we spend in reading the Bible and in talking to God. I wonder how many inventories will reveal that that person has read his Bible every day during the past year?

If we did not own a Bible we would wish for one. But as most of us have Bibles, we put them aside and expect them to do us good by lying on a bedside table. That is not where God's word belongs; it belongs in our hearts.

I recall a family who had the most beautiful Bible I have ever seen. It was bound in fine leather and printed on the finest paper.

And it was quite large. It was kept in the living room, very prominently placed on a beautiful table. But it was seldom opened. Its only use was to record, births, weddings and deaths. This Bible was considered as a family treasure. But the family did not really know the treasure of great value inside.

Many years ago it was the custom in this country to learn to read by reading the Bible. Abraham Lincoln's mother taught him to read, using the Bible as a textbook. In some parts of the world missionaries still use this method.

A pastor asked an elderly lady if she had a Bible. She angrily replied, "Do you think I am such a heathen that I do not have a Bible?" She opened a drawer and took from a box her Bible. Upon opening it she found the savings placed there by her mother before her death seven years before.

One who neglects to read God's word for so long is the same as heathen.

Let's resolve now to see that next year's inventory shows greater profits for the Lord!

Aunt Polly will be glad to receive letters from young people. She is especially interested in their activities and in their organizations. Address letters to: Aunt Polly, c/o The Baptist Record, Box 530, Jackson.

Rev. Paul Brown was called as pastor of the Anchor Church in Lafayette County last April. The church has now adopted a full-time program. Plans are being made to build more Sunday School rooms to take care of the growing attendance. The other organizations are also making progress.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

December 27, 1953

Hickory Flat	148	83
Sharon (Jones)	118	46
West Laurel	114	367
Laurel, Second Ave.	358	98
Gulfport, First	586	313
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	151	106
Hattiesburg, Main St.	736	237
Flowood	106	92
Jackson:		
Parkway	751	309
Broadmoor	192	71
Crestwood	407	300
Highland	90	50
Northside	329	76
Daniel Memorial	392	176
First	944	328
Van Winkle	342	231
Southside	268	113
Calvary	1018	273
Main	963	273
Mission	55	26
Alta Woods	358	
Calvary (Amite)	39	39
New Prospect (Lafayette)	46	53
East McComb	393	165
McComb, Friendship	153	97
New Hope (Sunflower)	47	31
Bethlehem (Jones)	179	103
Pelahatchie	151	53
Taylorville	131	77
Bay St. Louis, First	93	48
Newton	286	107
Vicksburg, First	394	109
Unity	49	45
Lula	79	42
Clarksdale	231	43
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	244	87
Aberdeen, First	252	85
Laurel, Highland	146	82
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	151	80
Charleston, First	275	87
Lucedale	300	146
Union Chapel (Chickasaw)	62	78
Cleveland, First	311	78
Hernando, First	124	62
Corinth, Tate St.	229	72
Concord (Choctaw)	79	77
Brooklyn (Forrest)	90	92
Chester (Choctaw)	66	47
Columbus, Southside	112	84
Main Church	94	
Mission	18	
Biloxi, Trinity	91	34
Hurricane Creek (Marion)	103	76
Clinton	361	68

Pelahatchie Church Dedicated Dec. 20



The Pelahatchie Church, above, was dedicated debt-free in special services Sunday, Dec. 20.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary, was the principal speaker at the afternoon dedicatory services at 2 o'clock.

Rev. Joe Abrams, state Director of Promotion, preached at the regular morning services.

Lunch was served at the church at noon. Presiding over the services was the pastor, Rev. J. F. Stanford. The church has made

substantial progress during the year under his leadership.

The organizations have been developed, attendance has increased, the church has adopted the percentage plan of Cooperative program giving, and improvement and additions have been made to the church property, both inside and outside.

A mission is being sponsored and a church bus will be purchased soon.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

IT'S NEW—IT'S DIFFERENT

Yes, the Brotherhood Newsletter is no more. Beginning in January we will have Nuggets-Sparks-Pickins. Like an old car, it served its purpose—and well. We refuse to get in a rut, or at least, we refuse to stay in one. This change to Nuggets-Sparks-Pickins we hope will be an improvement.

Nugget and Sparks will be edited by your brotherhood secretary. Pickins will be edited by our efficient and seasoned office secretary, Miss Jo Summers. Pray for us that we may use this opportunity to the fullest.

Nuggets will be devoted to serious thinking regarding Brotherhood principals and condensed messages by the Brotherhood secretary.

Sparks will be in the form of a direct communication from the Brotherhood secretary to the Brotherhood members. It is our hope that Sparks will be read by the local secretaries to the entire membership in one of the regular meetings each month.

Pickins will be devoted to reports of activities that come in from the Brotherhoods.

JUST AHEAD—BROTHERHOOD RALLIES

The Leadership Conferences and Brotherhood Rallies are just

ahead. This will be the fourth year that we have had the privilege of working with Dr. Quarles in this important series of meetings.

The Brotherhood Rallies are planned for the evening hour from 7:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m. for the convenience of our men. This program will be the best yet. PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.

Date	Meeting Place
January 11	First, Corinth
January 12	Okolona
January 13	Hickory Flat
January 14	Lyon
January 15	Itta Bena
January 25	Eupora
January 26	East End, Columbus
January 28	Meridian, Southside
January 29	Carthage
February 1	Vicksburg, First
February 2	Natchez, First
February 4	Wesson
February 5	Mendenhall
February 8	Laurel, First
February 9	Magnolia
February 11	Moss Point
February 12	Poplarville, First

Joe Kellum of Tutwiler filled the pulpit at Friendship No. 2 in Tallahatchie Co. on December 13. The pastor, Rev. Lewis Myers was holding a weekend revival at Skene. This was Mr. Kellum's first time to preach.

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State Mission Week Of Prayer Gifts

Listed are the 838 Missionary Societies that made an offering to State Missions during the Week of Prayer in September. More than \$5,000 of this was not received until in December—hence the delay in publishing the figures.

DISTRICT I:

Copiah—

Antioch	\$23.60
Bethel	14.50
County Line	35.00
Crystal Springs	18.00
Damascus	2.30
Georgetown	76.40
Harmony	10.00
Hazlehurst	321.45
Hopewell	20.00
New Zion	4.80
Pilgrim's Rest	25.15
Poplar Springs	10.00
Sardis	5.50
Shady Grove	30.15
Spring Hill	15.00
Strong Hope	23.18
Sylvarena	30.00
Wesson	89.18
Pearl Valley	32.36

Hinds—

Bethesda	78.10
Byram	25.15
Clinton	294.50
Edwards	35.00
Elraine	20.00
Forest Hill	27.79

Jackson—

Alta Woods	78.04
Broadmoor	41.00
Calvary	575.43
Crestwood	101.47
Daniel	114.92
Emmanuel	6.06
First	1815.00
Griffith	100.64
Leavell Woods	17.27
Midway	15.34
Northside	205.42
Parkway	176.77
Ridgecrest	100.00
Robinson St.	23.50
Southside	70.00
West Jackson	33.40
West View	11.30
New Haven	6.50
Pocahontas	56.00
Raymond	259.51
Salem	15.00
Terry	166.80
Utica	132.70

Helmes—

Cruger	21.00
Durant	86.00
Goodman	16.00
Lexington	55.63
Mt. Pleasant	5.00
Pickens	58.40
Tchula	31.00
West	20.55

Madison—

Camden	7.35
Canton	
First	495.81
Center Terrace	44.16
Farmhaven	25.00
Flora	144.23
Lone Pine	17.82
Lulu	12.45
Madison	50.00
Ridgeland	25.00

Rankin—

Antioch	19.30
Brandon	152.46
Briar Hill	40.50
Clear Branch	5.00
County Line	15.25
East Side	13.00

Flckory Ridge

Leesburg	11.44
Liberty	21.44
Mt. Pisgah	46.90
Mountain Creek	19.00
Oakdale	53.84
Paul Truett	30.56
Flowood	12.00
Pearson	7.13
Pelahatchie	51.70
Puckett	42.00
Rehobeth	9.50
Richland	19.00
Star	95.77
Steen's Creek	155.00
Value	20.00
Rock Hill	20.40

Simpson—

Bethlehem	35.00
Beulah	9.20
Braxton	74.72
Coat	10.38
D'Lo	10.00
Goodwater	11.50
Gum Springs	5.00
Harrisville	23.51
Holly Grove	1.30
Magge	120.57
Mendenhall	66.35
Mt. Zion	35.75
Oak Grove	5.00
Palestine	10.00
Pinola	26.00
Pleasant Hill	15.00
Shivers	13.04
Stonewall	54.25

Warren—

Vicksburg	
Calvary	15.50
Immanuel	35.57
Northside	8.62
Trinity	19.18
First	253.16
Wayside	11.50
Woodlawn	21.82

Yazoo—

Anding	11.00
Bentonla	72.20
Bethlehem	12.00
Black Jack	42.75
Concord	11.80
Eden	17.00
Hebron	15.71
Holly Bluff	34.24
Oak Grove	2.50
Ogden	20.00
Oil City	50.14
Rocky Springs	10.00
Satartia	16.35
Short Creek	3.41
Yazoo City	
Calvary	20.01

First 475.00

DISTRICT II

Bolivar—

Benoit	50.00
Boyle	80.15
Calvary	37.05
Cleveland	255.00
Duncan	68.91
Gunnison	10.55
Interstate	10.00
Merigold	75.00
Morrison Chapel	26.26
Nyland Chapel	3.20
Providence	15.17
Rosedale	114.50
Shaw	117.00
Shelby	60.50
Skene	46.18

Humphreys—

Belzoni, First	500.00
Isola	12.25
Louise	13.70

Leflore—

Greenwood	
First	442.93
Calvary	62.08
Itta Bena	132.00
Money (Riverside)	61.05
Morgan City	50.00
Schlater	26.81
Sidon	10.00
Lowland Chapel	50.00

Riverside—

Belen	25.00
Clarksdale, First	208.82
Crowder	124.00
Darling	17.00
Dundee	25.00
Hollywood	4.00
Jonestown	18.00
Lambert	30.00
Lula	150.00
Lyon	68.00
Marks	185.50
Reynolds Memorial	38.00
Riverside	35.00
Sledge	29.50
Tunica	220.62
Walnut	61.00
Fair Haven	4.25

Sharkey-Issaquena—

Anguilla	112.00
Carey	1.75
Rolling Fork	50.28
Valley Park	4.00

Sunflower—

Bethany	9.75
Bethel	14.00
Blaine	7.00
Dockery	12.30
Doddsville	15.00
Drew	153.16
Fairview	12.75
Holly Grove	7.27
Indianola	239.60
Inverness	67.75
Linn	86.86
Moorhead	87.80
New Hope	13.75
Rome	30.00
Ruleville	136.02
Sunflower	72.56
Calvary	3.00

Washington—

Arcola	114.00
Darlove	15.60

Glen Allan 20.65

Greenville:

First	380.00
Calvary	78.82
Parkview	44.00
Second	135.80
Hollandale	164.35
Leland, First	500.00
Leland, Second	20.00
Swiftwater	25.00

DISTRICT III

Calhoun—

Banner	20.00
Bethel	18.50
Bruce	68.98
Calhoun City	196.63
Calvary	16.00
College Hill	20.00
Derma	30.50
Pittsboro	42.45
Sabouglia	20.00
Shiloh	23.25
Slate Springs	107.21
Vardaman	16.15

Carroll—

Carrollton	19.25
McCarley	7.25
Mt. Pisgah	14.63
New Bethel	3.60
North Carrollton	45.50
Vaiden	25.40

DeSoto—

Ebenezer	20.00
Eudora	33.50
Gray's Creek	15.81
Hernando	103.57
Horn Lake	25.70
Macedonia	6.75
New Prospect	8.50
Olive Branch	25.50
Pleasant Hill	28.72
Trinity	8.83

Grenada—

Emanuel	19.68
Grenada, First	600.00
Hardy	9.58
Hebron	11.75
Holcomb	13.00
Pleasant Grove	37.84
Providence	6.55
Bethel	15.00

Lafayette—

Abbeville	18.86
Oxford, First	243.00
Oxford, North	15.45
Philadelphia	10.67
Prospect	18.06
Taylor	3.50
Union West	3.50
Yellow Leaf	60.00
Clear Creek	8.15

Marshall—

Byhalia	75.00
Coldwater	2.50
Holly Springs	161.85
Potts Camp	1.15
Red Banks	8.00
Slayden	26.52
Macedonia	5.00

Montgomery—

Duck Hill	62.50
Kilmichael	28.12
Milligan Springs	20.20
Scotland	7.00
Winona	119.25

Poplar Creek 5.00

Panela—

Batesville, First	119.00
Como	60.00
Courtland	13.25
Crenshaw	25.15
Good Hope	22.00
Hebron	28.00
Liberty Hill	12.00
McIvor	20.25
Peach Creek	33.00
Pilgrim's Rest	5.50
Pope	8.00
Sardis	130.16
Union Church	5.00

Tallahatchie—

Cascilla	5.50
Charleston	334.91
Paynes	28.37
Phillips	17.90
Sumner	67.61
Tutwiler	200.79
Webb	40.75

Tate—

Arkabutla	28.25
Central (Coldwater)	125.75
Evansville	27.05
Flag Lake	5.75
Hickory Grove	10.25
Looxahoma	20.00
Mt. Zion	32.50
New Hope	16.00
Senatobia	127.10
Strayhorn	11.00

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Yalobusha—

Big Springs 7.00

Coffeeville 55.33

Oakland 16.00

Water Valley 166.60

Camp Ground 18.11

DISTRICT IV

Alcorn—

Corinth 154.55

First 8.25

East 42.50

Tate Street 45.55

West 24.50

Hinkle Creek 6.40

Holly 15.00

Kossuth 10.50

Rienzi 47.00

Benton—

Ashland 55.00

Hickory Flat 7.00

Chickasaw—

Amity 10.00

Bethel 45.00

Houlka 147.00

Houston 170.31

Okolona 29.61

Union Chapel 3.05

Woodland—

Evergreen 12.00

Fulton 16.80

Lee—

Auburn 37.25

Belden 7.00

Bissell 26.26

Camp Creek 5.50

Guntown 47.60

Nettleton 39.50

Plantersville 51.60

Priceville 10.00

Richmond 25.00

Saltillo 63.56

Sherman 60.48

Tupelo:—

First 230.06

Second 14.00

Calvary 1203.43

Harrisburg 65.23

Verona 40.00

Brewer 20.91

Monroe—

Aberdeen 225.46

Amory 212.00

Becker 15.00

Calvary 16.00

Central Grove 10.00

New Prospect 16.00

Smithville 13.00

Center Hill 5.00

Pontotoc—

Bellevue 7.50

Cherry Creek 44.60

Ecu 30.96

Emmanuel 10.75

Endville 11.50

Friendship 9.25

Furrs 10.50

Harmony 3.50

Longview 20.60

Pontotoc:—

First 245.47

West Heights 13.22

Toxish 34.70

Woodland 3.00

Zion 41.20

Prentiss—

Baldwyn 51.80

Booneville 141.34

Wheeler 17.00

Tippah—

Blue Mountain 187.46

Chalybeate 93.68

Harmony 26.80

Palmer 7.00

Ripley 135.65

Walnut 56.48

Providence 22.75

B. M. C.-YWA 27.50

Academy 18.89

Tishomingo—

Burnsville 15.23

Iuka 42.00

New Prospect 29.04

Tishomingo, First 7.00

Union—

Ingomar 26.30

Mrtle 26.35

Myrtle-Temple 12.00

Wallerville 14.15

Neely Memorial 5.25

New Albany 261.94

Oak Grove 21.00

DISTRICT V

Attala—

Bear Creek 6.25

County Line 4.85

Ethel 21.58

Hurricane 20.00

Kosciusko, First 200.00

Kosciusko, Second 3.96

McAdams 55.25

McCool 18.51

Sallis 21.50

Springdale 15.00

Unity 3.50

Williamsville 28.50

Jerusalem 12.51

Choctaw—

Ackerman 221.90

Concord 24.30

French Camp 25.00

Weir 24.30

Clay—

Pheba 21.90

West Point, First 200.53

West Point, West End 15.50

Lowndes—

Artesia 4.25

Border Springs 28.50

Columbus—

First 200.19

Calvary 30.00

Central (Northside) 3.30

East End 98.20

South Side 5.00

Mt. Vernon 39.50

Mt. Zion 76.10

New Salem 13.50

Pleasant Hill 5.90

Noxubee—

Brooksville 40.35

Concord 53.50

Elon 3.50

Macon 125.92

Mashulaville 20.19

Oktibbeha—

Adaton 15.00

Bethesda 40.78

Center Grove 20.20

Double Springs 10.00

Longview 19.77

Maben 51.73

Morgan's Chapel 40.83

Self Creek 18.01

Starkville 208.76

Sturgis 22.00

Winston—

Calvary 26.30

Evergreen 2.00

Liberty 10.00

Louisville:—

First 287.75

East 11.73

South 12.00

Murphy Creek 19.00

Noxapater 200.50

Poplar Flat 6.75

Yellow Creek 7.00

Zion—

Eupora 208.95

Fellowship 17.11

Mantee 20.48

Mathiston 25.40

Walthall 31.50

DISTRICT VI

Clarke—

Center Ridge 1.20

DeSoto 20.00

Enterprise 52.60

Harmony 23.28

Mont Rose 9.40

Oak Grove 15.10

Pachuta 22.70

Pine Hill 10.00

Pleasant Hill 24.83

Quitman 180.10

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Stonewall 29.86

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Jasper—

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Loun 37.00

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Pine Grove 20.00

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Stringer 16.00

Kemper—

Black Water 52.00

Center Ridge 11.70

DeKalb 45.50

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Arkadelphia 10.25

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Carthage 208.25

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Friendship (Lema) 74.25

Standing Pine 17.50

Thomastown 15.00

Tuscola 31.22

Walnut Grove 29.07

Neshoba—

Bond 8.00

Coldwater 29.00

Deemer 12.00

Hope 15.00

Immanuel 5.00

Laurel Hill 5.00

Mt. Nelson 18.00

Neshoba 9.00

Philadelphia, First 127.73

Philadelphia, Beacon St. 26.00

Philadelphia, East 14.55

Sardis 19.00

Spring Creek 7.85

New Harmony 5.00

New Bethel 5.00

New Choctaw (Indian) 3.50

Hopewell 11.20

Macedonia 11.20

Newton—

Bethel 16.80

County Line 7.49

Chucky 20.00

Decatur 77.25

Duffee 10.00

Hickory 129.31

Liberty 9.00

Midway 12.22

Mt. Vernon 9.50

New Ireland 7.00

Newton 241.22

Union 95.19

Scott—

Forest 72.25

Forkville 21.35

Harperville 30.75

Hillsboro 20.50

Jerusalem (Ludlow) 16.33

Lake 38.50

Liberty 15.61

Morton 57.52

Pulaski 4.35

Ridge 8.50

Branch 33.00

Smith—

Beulah 12.63

Burns 5.90

Raleigh 51.60

Sardis 10.00

Sylvarena 22.75

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Ted 3.00

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Clear Springs 2.00

DISTRICT VII

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—Selected.

Eighty attended the stewardship study course at Blue Mountain; two new volumes added to BSU Library, bringing it to 451. Miss Jane Ray Bean is the Student Secretary.

311 STUDENTS USED

Janie Branyan, Chairman of the BSU talent committee at Mississippi College, reports that 135 students have given devotionals; 70 have been pianists; 11, organists; 4, other instruments; 35, soloists; 59, choristers, and 27 have participated in duets, trios, and quartets for a total of 311 students being used in the BSU activities since school started.

One student from Mississippi Southern made his public profession of faith in Christ during this year's State BSU Convention.

Jones Jr., reports 236 Baptists, 17 unsaved, 20 Baptist Student subscriptions, Laurel Pastor T. R. McKibbens as speaker before Greater Council.

Students wishing to apply with the Home Mission Board for summer mission work are reminded that applications are due at the Board (161 Spring St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Ga.) by February 1.

Six from Woman's College recently joined a local church.

Pearl River Jr., reports 325 Baptists, 4 joining local church. Dr. J. D. Grey as speaker.



Shown above is Rev. Ray Dykes (left) presenting to Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr., Custodian of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Society, the old minute books of Bethel (Black Jack) Church of Yazoo County for safe keeping.

RADIO COMMISSION TO RELEASE TV FILM

Atlanta, Ga.—(BP)—Forty stations in twenty-two states have scheduled "The Coming of Christ," first film produced for the Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Paul M. Stevens, director of the Commission announced.

This initial film is one of a series of eight, fifteen-minute films on "The Life of Christ." Each of the films is to be entirely scriptural, based on the King James version of the Bible.

Rev. R. W. Porter And Wife Doubly Honored

R. W. Porter, pastor of the Georgetown Church, and Mrs. Porter were honored by friends at a surprise party on Wednesday, Dec. 23 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Steen.

The affair was a combination farewell party and silver wedding anniversary. The honorees were presented a beautiful silver coffee service.

Mr. Porter assumes the pastorate at the Rome Church on Jan. 1.

State Missions

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Bucatanua	33.30
Clear Creek	5.00
Evergreen	10.00
Mt. Zion	24.72
Pleasant Grove	11.25
State Line	36.50
Waynesboro, First	75.00
Waynesboro, Calvary	22.00

DISTRICT VIII

Franklin—

Bude	108.00
Concord	10.45
Hopewell	22.30
Lucien	21.54
Meadville	41.30
Ozlon	3.00
Providence	11.00
Quentin	16.00
Roxie	26.20
Siloam	16.05

Jeff Davis—

Antioch	29.10
Bassfield	36.05
Bethany	14.25
Carson	21.50
Dublin	15.50
Hathorn	28.20
Hebron	46.00
Hepzibah	50.10
Oak Grove	13.35
Phalti	18.10
Prentiss	943.00
Society Hill	46.42
White Sand	85.15

Lawrence—

Antioch	5.00
Calvary	40.85
Jayess	9.20
Monticello	80.75
New Hebron	126.00
New Hope	16.25
Nola	8.00
Providence	5.50
Topeka	5.75
Wanilla	5.50
Arm	28.17

Lincoln—

Arlington Church	20.00
Bethel	10.00
Bogue Chitto	12.30
Brookhaven, First	215.00
Calvary	9.25
Clear Branch	27.70
Fair River	14.00
Friendship	14.00
Gum Grove	13.00
Harmony	6.65
Heuck's Retreat	37.30
Macedonia	79.85
Mission Hill	3.75
Moak's Creek	36.30
Montgomery	12.00
Mt. Moriah	96.90
Mt. Pleasant	10.00
Mt. Zion	44.45
New Prospect	26.00
New Sight	20.76
Pearl Haven	6.00
Philadelphia	6.00
Pleasant Grove	86.43
Ruth	34.00
Union Hall	11.17
Halbert Heights	6.30

Marion—

Bunker Hill	71.72
Cedar Grove	11.25
Clear Creek	15.00

Columbia:

First	402.26
Calvary	39.83

According to Rev. Melvin T. Wilson, pastor, the Kreele Church has ordained Bobbie Jones, to the full gospel ministry. He is a student in Mississippi College. Brothers Kirke, Lundy, Waring, and Young assisted Pastor Wilson in the service.

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North	25.00
Foxworth	31.05
Goss	71.00
Hurricane Creek	31.47
Improve	46.25
Kokomo	10.00
New Hope	10.50
Pine Burr	11.25

Mississippi—

Calvary	26.00
Centerville	58.30
Crosby	52.55
East Fork	24.00
Gillsburg	49.50
Glading	5.00
Gloster	206.50
Liberty	212.35
Mars Hill	151.25
Mt. Olive	15.00
Mt. Vernon	32.00
New Zion	9.45
Oak Grove	12.50
Woodville	68.79
Zion Hill	30.00
Berwick	20.89

Pike—

Bogue Chitto	14.25
Bola Chitto	13.65
Calvary	12.00
Central	100.00
Fernwood	17.82
Friendship	27.18
Holmesville	15.00

McComb:

First	906.45
East	220.32
Locust St.	21.45
North	10.50

Magnolia

Navilla	22.10
Osyka	94.90
Progress	85.00
Silver Creek	37.75
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Union	31.45

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 YEARS AGO—

On Nov. 18 young Rev. W. H. Morgan of Shaw was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry by the Shaw Baptist Church.

Mrs. H. M. Conn of Rienzi reports the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Hinkle Creek Baptist Church on November 17. Rev. Giles Savage and wife were the only persons present who were charter members. Dr. G. M. Savage of Jackson, Tenn., preached the sermon and T. F. Holt read the history of the church.

40 YEARS AGO—

Rev. J. E. Willis, returned missionary from China, goes to New Mexico as supply pastor. The First Church, Columbus, sets the pace for State Mission offerings for the coming year, pledging \$1,000. Rev. J. B. Lawrence, pastor.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

We sincerely trust that you had a very merry and profitable Christmas.

Now we wish for you a happy New Year. May it bring to each of you many of the good things the Lord hath in store for us. May it find us with a greater desire than ever to do more and better than ever in the important work of serving the Lord as we serve people.

SPRING HILL MOVES UP

Upon entering their new educational building on Sunday, Nov. 29, the Sunday School of the Spring Hill Baptist Church, Copiah Association, moved out of the class type school and into a department one.

The new building gives them opportunity not only to care for more people, but to do it in a much more efficient manner.

Also, new classes were added on that day. In the adult department, they went from one class for men and one for women to two for each, and it was done on the graded basis.

That's good Sunday school business, and will certainly go far in helping them and us to reach our share of the "Million More in '54."

Rev. Lynn May is the pastor. CHURCH ACHIEVES "MILLION MORE" GOAL IN ONE SUNDAY GAINER E. BRYAN, JR., BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

A one hundred-year-old church in a small Missouri town recently achieved its goal in the crusade for "A Million More in '54" in one Sunday and how has the rest of the year to do more.

Other churches can do what this church has done.

A two-weeks' revival was the occasion for the feat. Dr. C. E. Matthews, secretary of evangelism for the Home Mission Board was the visiting evangelist. The Baptist Church of Memphis, Missouri, a town of 2,000, had the following record: 197 resident church members, 183 enrolled in Sunday school, 153 record attendance, a maximum of ten baptisms in any one year.

On the first Sunday of the revival there were seventy-six in Sunday school. Dr. Matthews led the church to set the next Sunday as high attendance day.

That Sunday 188 people came to Sunday school to break all records for a hundred years. On the momentum of this victory, the members dared an even greater achievement. They resolved to reach their goal of forty-one net increase in the campaign for "A Million More" the very next Sunday!

Additional space was secured in an adjacent storage house. The one Adult men and two Adult women's classes were increased to two for men and three for women, providing for younger adults in the new classes. Three baby beds were donated for the creation of a

nursery.

The church roll, census returns, and new additions during the revival yielded prospects. Visitors went out carrying specially prepared cards for prospects to sign, pledging to become regular members of Sunday school the next Sunday.

On the third Sunday the results were overwhelming. Four babies were in the nursery. The two new adult classes had twenty-six present. Sixty-two new members were added to the Sunday School. Not only had the goal of forty-one for the entire 1953-54 Sunday School year been reached, but it had been exceeded by 50 per cent!

A new attendance record of 193 had been established.

Evangelistic results of the revival included thirty persons baptized into the church—three times as many as had ever been baptized before in a whole year. Total additions numbered forty. One of the new converts and his partner gave \$1,000 toward the erection of additional building space.

Dr. Matthews asserted that other churches, large or small, can achieve their 1954 goals in one stroke and go on to higher ground, just as the Memphis Baptist Church did. He urged all churches engaging in revivals to adopt the following program of preparation:

1. Set the date early.
2. Get evangelistic help immediately.
3. Take and tabulate a census six weeks before the revival.
4. Thirty days before the revival, set a high attendance goal for the second Sunday of the meeting.
5. Teach The Pull of the People to the entire Sunday school organization.
6. Arrange for expansion in classes and departments; secure new workers.
7. Reach the high attendance goal the middle Sunday.
8. On Monday night following the middle Sunday, have a dinner for all workers. Re-study your objective in the drive for "A Million More in '54," and plan visitation to reach the goal the following Sunday. Prepare a card that prospects may sign, pledging themselves to enroll the following Sunday.
9. Plan visitation for the remainder of the week—in the morning for those at home; in the evening, for those who work.
10. Place publicity in every legitimate place.

If it can be done in a small-town church, 100 years old, it can be done in your church, too.

—BR—

Rev. and Mrs. Charles W. Whitten, Southern Baptist missionaries to Spain, announce the birth of Margaret Dean on Nov. 25 in Barcelona. Their address is Tavern 15, 1, Barcelona, Spain. Mr. Whitten is a native of Weir, Miss., and Mrs. Whittle, the former Nella Dean Mitchell, is a native of Louisville, Miss.

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Schedule of Meetings

January 11 Corinth, First
January 12 Okolona
January 13 Hickory Flat
January 14 Lyon
January 15 Ma Bona

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January 25 Eupora
January 26 Columbus, East End
January 28 Meridian, South Side
January 29 Carthage

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February 1 Vicksburg, First
February 2 Natchez, First
February 4 Weason
February 5 Mendonhall

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February 8 Laurel, First
February 9 Magnolia
February 11 Moss Point, First
February 12 Poplarville, First

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

New Sardis Is No. 1074

New Sardis Church, Smith county, has recently joined the growing number of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

Rev. W. J. Murray is the pastor.

Smith county record readers are now listed as follows, REULAH 51; Burns, 1; Clear Creek, 17; Concord, 11; Fellowship, 1; Goodwater, 30; Leaf River, 3; Lorena, 1; Mize, 2; Mt. Carmel, 2; Raleigh, 67; Rocky Hill, 32; Sardis, 24; Shady Grove, 1; Sylvarena, 47; Taylorsville, 158; Union, 49; White Oak, 70; New Sardis, 22; Clear Springs, 14.

Young Comes Through

For quite a while, Rev. E. A. Young, pastor of Yellow Leaf Church in Lafayette county, has wanted the EVERY FAMILY Plan for his church. A few weeks ago he asked that it be sent on trial so that the people might become acquainted with the only paper in Mississippi that can keep Mississippi Baptists informed about what Baptists are doing at home and abroad. After a few weeks the people decided that they liked the sample.

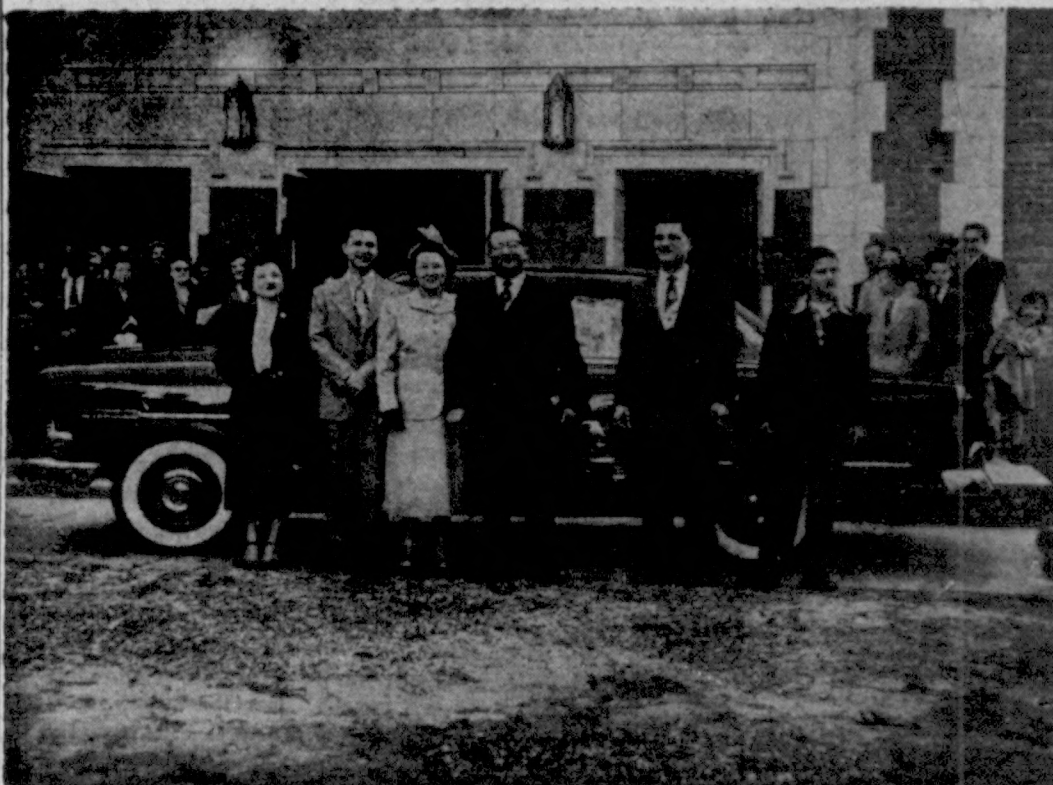
The pastor has written asking that the list be continued.

Record readers in Lafayette county are now listed as follows Bay Springs, 4; Abbeville, 46; Anchor, 22; Bethel, 15; Clear Creek, 50; DeLay, 28; New Hope, 17; New Prospect, 73; Oxford, 87; Paris, 1; Shiloh, 29; Taylor, 20; Tula, 42; Union West, 32; University, BSU, 1; Yellow Leaf, 21; Philadelphia, 46; North Oxford, 105; Matthew, 9; Old Union, 18.

New Zion Is No. 1075

New Zion Church in Leake county is a recent addition to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. Recently Morris J. Rogers, clerk, sent a list of 26 names. Colen O. Jones is the

Rev. J. B. Smith Presented Automobile As Gift



Pictured above are the members of the J. B. Smith family standing by the New Ford automobile which was presented them at the close of the morning service, December 6th. Reading left to right they are: Mrs. Harry Bishop; Jimmy Smith; Mrs. J. B. Smith; Rev. J. B. Smith; Bryant Smith and Billy Smith. In the background stands the entrance to the newly completed \$200,000 Church which was begun and completed under his pastorate and from the entrance corridors can be seen members of the morning congregation as they file from the auditorium. (Courier Photo)

The conclusion of the morning service at the Church, carried with it a surprise ending when Dr. Harry Spencer of Jackson, visiting speaker for the morning service, called Rev. and Mrs. Smith to the pulpit and presented them with the keys to the auto which was parked in front of the church

treasurer.

Record readers in Leake county are now listed as follows: Bethel, 1; Carthage, 163; Cedar Grove, 44; Center Hill (Conway), 2; Corinth, 1; Good Hope, 15; Lena, 78; McDonald, 15; Madden, 48; Mars Hill, 54; Midway, 31; Mt. Carmel, 30; Mt. Zion, 38; New Hope, 16; New Prospect, 20; New Providence, 31; Pleasant Hill, 34; Salem, 32; Rocky Point, 66; Standing Pine, 2; Sunrise, 54; Thomas-town, 60; Tuscola, 38; Walnut Grove, 77; Wiggins, 16; New Zion, 26; Hopewell (Indian), 16.

after the morning worship convened.

Obviously emotionally moved by the presentation, Bro. Smith slowly responded to the presentation with "I can't say what I would like to say," and called upon Mrs. Smith to respond.

In making the presentation Dr. Spencer said, "Bro. Smith, I am holding in my hand a set of keys to a new automobile parked out front which is being presented to you on your 6th year here because of the appreciation of the fine work you have done and in appreciation that the Lord has sent you this way."

Unbeknowing to the pastor, an invitation had been extended his entire family to be present for the occasion and during the service his sons and daughter, living out of town, slipped in and were present for the presentation.

—BR—

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young
Clinton, Mississippi
Called and Accepted:

R. O. Baker, Jr., Commonwealth, Charlotte, N. C. from Ft. Worth, Texas

Sidney Oxendine, Green Hill, Green River Assoc., N. C.

Joseph Godwin, Lewisville, N. C. from Ozark, Ala.

Paul Pridgen, Jr., Swift creek, Raleigh Assoc., N. C.

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Claud Stripling, Bellevue, Little Rock Arkansas

F. E. Kerley, Broadway Tampa, Fla. from South Elm, Greensboro, S. C.

Paul Strickland, South Hill, Va. from Chaplain, Mo. Baptist Hospital.

M. M. Barnett, Eureka, California, from Sec. Evangelism of Mo.

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Tupelo Parkway Church Ordains New Deacons

Parkway Church of Tupelo, organized on the 30th of August last, has elected six deacons and ordained them. They are: C. E. Adderholt, E. D. Bigner and E. C. Blackwell. Rev. J. S. Johnson, pastor of the Plantersville Church brought the message and conducted the ordination service.

The other three members, B. H. Jackson, W. K. James and Ralph C. Wright had served as deacons in churches where they had previously held membership.

Parkway, served by Lay-Evangelist Allison Bell as pastor, has the "Rotation Plan" for the election of deacons. The church has experienced a rapid growth.

The church has the "Every-Family Plan of the Baptist Record" and gives regularly to missions through the Cooperative Program.

Glendale, Hattiesburg Has Revival

In conjunction with observance by the Glendale W. M. S. of the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer, the Glendale Church, had a missions revival, led by Rev. Ferrell Runyan, missionary on furlough from Nigeria. He presented motion pictures showing many interesting features of the customs and way of life of the people of Northern Nigeria, as well as curios including a huge elephant's tusk which was taken from an elephant he himself had killed.

The peak of these services was reached on Sunday night when the W. M. S. of the church presented the play "Her Lengthened Shadow," illustrating the life and work of Lottie Moon. Seventeen young men, women, boys and girls dedicated their lives to God's will. Rev. Warren B. Wall, pastor, stated this was the greatest demonstration of the power of the Holy Spirit he had ever witnessed.

The church had set a goal of \$300 for the Lottie Moon offering, and \$325 has already been paid.

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BY CLIFTON A. ALLEN
GOD REVEALED IN CHRIST
John 1; 20:30-31

Many Christians feel that the Gospel of John is the sublimest piece of literature ever written. It tells more about God, more about Jesus Christ, and more about the way of eternal life than any other book in all the world. Its purpose was to present the sure evidences that Jesus is the Son of God and to inspire saving faith in him.

The prologue sums up the whole content of the Gospel. With one majestic sweep the apostle tells of the eternal pre-existence of Christ, his absolute deity, and the historic fact of his incarnation. The apostle tells also of the mission of John the Baptist, who identified Jesus as the true Messiah and as the world's Sin-bearer.

THE MATCHLESS MIRACLE

(vv. 14-18)

The Word became flesh. In this way John refers to the birth of Jesus. The "Word" stands for Christ, whom the apostle had declared to be eternal, pre-existent, very God, the Creator. As the "Word" he was the expression of the idea or thought of God, the expression of God's nature and person. Thus God entered into history.

Christ brought the fullness of God down to men, "grace for grace"—grace for every sin and every need, inexhaustible grace. The law was given through Moses, but it could not save. Grace for redemption and truth for Christian living came through Jesus Christ.

THE FORERUNNER OF THE SAVIOUR (vv. 19-23)

John now recounted the dramatic mission of John the Baptist. In response to the inquiry of a delegation from Jerusalem, John denied that he was the Christ or the long-expected Messiah; that he was Elijah, who was expected to return in person to herald the Messiah; or the prophet foretold by Moses. Modestly and humbly, he would claim to be nothing more than a voice, but his mission was to call men to repentance and thus prepare the way of the Lord.

Under the authority of God, John baptized those who responded to his call to repentance. But his baptism was wholly outward, a pure symbol of repentance and remission of sins. He declared that the One to come after him, the Messiah, infinitely greater than himself, would baptize men with the Holy Spirit, with new life in the power of God.

THE LAMB OF GOD (vv. 29-36)

Soon after the baptism of Jesus, John the Baptist gave his climactic testimony: "Behold the Lamb of God. . . ." Through the sign given at the baptism, John recognized Jesus as the actual Messiah. He further saw in Jesus the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy.

Again the next day John the Baptist pointed out Jesus as the

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REV. S. M. (Happy) WHITE

Rev. S. M. (Happy) White will join Mississippi Woman's College Staff on January 1, 1954, as Public Relations Director.

"Happy" is a native Mississippian. He attended Mississippi College and made an unusually outstanding record during the years 1915-16, 1916-17. He has had a wide experience in the business world in Atlanta, Georgia, before entering the ministry. He was equally successful in the church field, leading his churches in the construction of five different church buildings. He was formerly pastor at Summit.

For the past several years he has been a resident of Yuma, Arizona. "Happy" is a member of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission. He has served as Vice-president of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona and President of the Arizona Baptist Training Union. He was also a member of the Board of Trustees of Grand Canyon College for four years. He is a member of the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona and Moderator of the Yuma County Baptist Association, being also a member of the Board of Trustees of Gambrell Memorial Assembly.

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Rev. J. B. Middleton Given Service Of Appreciation

Wednesday night, Dec. 11, after closing prayer meeting at the church in Bruce, Rev. J. B. Middleton, pastor, the past eight years with Mrs. Middleton and the large crowd in attendance was invited to the basement of the church.

Refreshments were served and a bounteous pounding of eats, wares, cash and a television set, all worth \$650 were presented to Pastor Middleton and his wife in token of the love and esteem in which he and his fine wife are held in the town and community.

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MONROE J. LANDRUM

WHEREAS

In the Providence of God, our beloved Deacon and brother, Monroe J. Landrum, has been called to a fairer and happier land, and

WHEREAS

His going has left us bereft of an influence, which, though deep and profound, was ever thoughtful of the rights and feelings of others; an influence, always steady and supporting, and leading us to a consistent and forthright following of the principles set forth by our Savior, and

WHEREAS

His summons prevented his task of completing the first step in our long range church building program, a task doubly dear to his heart, since, with the true vision of a long time and faithful builder, he saw, with faith, the day when our building, would stand as a testimony to his faithfulness and competency as a builder at the direction of his church, and

WHEREAS

His life has left us an enduring testimony in a family who remain to carry on the work he set himself to do, and who represent the highest development of the influence of a devoted and Christian husband and father, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED

His fellow deacons and the Clinton Baptist Church thus formally express to his widow, his children and kindred among us, the deep feeling of loss which we sustain; and more, the feeling of profound sympathy which we as a church and individually feel that this quiet strong and many Christian friend, relative, husband, and father has left us to enter into his rest.

A. L. GODBOLD
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Rev. Joe Abrams Named President Of Press Group

Press and publicity representatives for the various Southern Baptist activities organized The Baptist Press Publicity Association during their recent meeting of the executive committee at Nashville.

Rev. Joe Abrams, director of promotion for Mississippi Baptists was elected president and Mrs. Francis Davis of the department of publications for the Southern Baptist Convention was elected recording secretary.

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ATHENS GOES FORWARD

December 13 was a Red Letter day at Athens Church in Simpson county. Both the Sunday School and Training Union made a grade of 100%, which means that everyone was there and everyone made a grade of 100.

Since Rev. R. A. Eddleman assumed the pastorate, contributions have doubled. The Baptist Record has been reinstated as a part of the church program.

Thanksgiving offerings were taken in Sunday School, Training Union and Brotherhood, and all gifts on that day went to the Baptist Orphanage. At Christmas Mrs. Eddleman directed a five-act play.

The exterior of the church has been covered with asbestos siding and a new roof will soon be completed.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

January 4 — Bible Study Week; Miss Louise Smith, Alcorn Associational Training Union Director.

January 5—Mrs. R. M. Young, District 1 WMU Chairman; Rev. C. M. Day, Holmes County Convention Board member.

January 6—Rev. D. L. Hill, Corinth, Blue Mountain College trustee; Rev. W. C. Howard, Water Valley, Mississippi College trustee.

January 7—Joe Lawrence, Marion Associational Brotherhood president; Charles O. Dean, Leland, Baptist Memorial Hospital trustee.

January 8—David Thames, Covington Associational Sunday School Supt.; A. B. Williams, McComb, Baptist Orphanage trustee.

January 9—Rev. John W. Cook, Decatur, Board of Ministerial Education; Mrs. Taylor Howard, Yalobusha Associational WMU Supt.

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	Record 1952-53	Goals 1953-54	Goals 1954-55
I. STANDARDIZATION (300% increase per year)			
1. Standard units of organization	30	90	270
2. Churches with standard units of organization	9	27	81
3. Standard Training Unions	2	6	18
4. Standard associations	2	6	18
II. STUDY COURSE (10% increase each year)			
1. Study course awards	32,135	35,348	38,882
2. Churches requesting study course awards	592	651	716
3. Associations requesting study course awards	74	75	75
III. REPORTS TO STATE OFFICE (50% increase each year)			
1. Churches sending quarterly reports to state Training Union office ..	267	400	600
2. Associations sending quarterly re- ports to state Training Union office	15	22	33
IV. YOUTH WEEK (50% increase each year)			
	65	97	145
V. "M" NIGHT (100% increase in 1954; 50% increase in 1955)			
1. Attendance	8,154	16,308	24,462
2. Associations observing "M" Night	32	64	75

STANDARD UNITS OF ORGANIZATION

OCTOBER 1952 — JUNE 1953

The figure by the name of the unit designates the number of quarters the unit was standard.

HINDS ASSOCIATION: Alta Woods Church. Adult Unions: president.

Parkway Church: Beginner Department No. 1, 1, Mr. Roger B. Johnson, Department Leader; Beginner Department No. 3, 1, Mrs. W. J. Allen, Department Leader; Primary Department No. 3, 1, "Faithful" 1, G. L. Stegall, president; "Power" 1, R. M. Farris, Mrs. Milton Allen, Department Leader; Primary Department No. 4, 3, Mrs. W. H. Britt, Department Leader; also Mrs. Milton Allen; Primary No. 5, 2, Mrs. W. H. Britt, Department Leader; "Conquerors" Union, Intermediate Union 3, Mrs. Jesse E. Griffin, Leader; "Loyalty", Young People's Union, 1, Carter G. Burnside, President.

Adult Unions: "Friendship" 3, George Anderson, president; "Steward" 3, Miss Carolyn Madison and Mrs. R. W. Upchurch, presidents; "Fellowship" 3, C. A. Smith, president; "Workers" 2, H. H. Palmer, president. **ADULT DEPARTMENT No. 3, 3, V. A. Clarkson, Dept. Director.**

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Ware, Southern Baptist missionaries to Hawaii, have returned to the States on furlough and may be addressed at 543 Jefferson street, Tupelo, Miss. Mrs. Ware is a native of Tupelo.

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Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. H. M. Brooks, Mathiston; Rev. B. D. Isaac, Philadelphia; Rev. J. C. Answeron, Vocoville, California; Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Charles Barnes, Stonewall; Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Brown, Benton.

Rev. William O. Daniel of Memphis has assumed the pastorates of the Askew and Longtown in Pannola Assoc. He formerly served as pastor of the Eastland Church, Germantown, Tenn.

The Southeast Mississippi Baptist Pastors Conference will hold its first 1954 meeting at First Church, Waynesboro, January 11. Those having parts in the program are: Herbert Valentine, Rev. J. P. Gilbert, Rev. W. L. Meadows and Dr. L. E. Green.

The secretary, Rev. W. M. Averett writes that the conference includes the following associations: Scott, Newton, Lauderdale, Smith Clark, Jeff Davis, Covington, Jones, Wayne, Lamar, Lebanon Perry Green, George, Pearl River, Gulf Coast and Jackson.

Northeast Mississippi Conference of Baptist Pastors elected the following officers for the coming year: George Gay, president; F. Roblin, vice president; Don Reed, secretary and treasurer.

Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Charles Barnes, Stonewall; Horace F. Horton, Weathersby, Texas; Rev. James H. Fairchild, Louisville; W. H. Womack, W. A. Thurman, Mantee; W. W. Reeves, Clinton; Rose Ellen Goodrich, Chattanooga, Tenn.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Mississippi, December 15—Four of the organ students of Blue Mountain College presented a program of Christmas organ music at general assembly this morning. They were Betty Lunati, Memphis, Sue Hassell of Baldwin; Gayle White, Union and Mary Ann Wacker, Louisville, Ky. Blue Mountain College closes for the holiday season Friday and will resume classes Tuesday, Jan. 5.

State Evangelistic

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Dr. Homer G. Lindsey, pastor First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla.; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson; Dr. Eldred M. Taylor, secretary of evangelism, Kentucky, and Rev. George Gay, pastor Ripley, Miss., Baptist Church.

Conference leaders will include Rev. J. B. Parker, chaplain Baptist Hospital, Jackson.

Those to present the Evangelism Church Council will be Dr. John W. Landrum, Grenada; Rev. M. E. Perry, Greenville; Rev. U. G. Salter, Lucedale; Rev. Doyle Caples, Oxford and Dr. T. R. McKibbens, Laurel.

Devotional leaders will be: Rev. A. L. Goodson, Olive Branch; Rev. Fred Tarpley, Jackson; Rev. W. L. Stagg, Jr., Moss Point, Rev. C. A. Alexander, Booneville and Dr. Wyatt Hunter, McComb.

Prayer hosts selected will be: Rev. Jack Southerland, Meridian; and Rev. Wayne Coleman, Natchez.

Host church leaders to have parts will be Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor; Reid Moore, minister of music and Miss Hazel Chisholm, organist.

Leadership Conferences

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the Program in colored pictures with accompanying descriptive narrative.

The new Ministers Security Plan and the plans and procedure necessary to make it effective in Mississippi will be presented.

The morning session beginning at 9:30 and the afternoon session each day will be devoted to the Leadership Conferences at which all church leaders, officers and workers are urged to attend, as well as all associational officers.

The evening sessions, beginning at 7, will feature a great men's rally under sponsorship and direction of the State Brotherhood Department, W. R. Roberts, secretary.

The host church will provide lunch. Directing the conferences will be Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary. Others to appear on program will include Dr. Merrill D. Moore, Nashville; Dr. S. F. Dowis, Atlanta; Rev. Sam Scanlan, Oklahoma City, Kermit S. King, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert and Rev. Joe Abrams, all of the State Convention Board, Jackson.

The full schedule of dates and places is as follows:

Jan. 11, First Corinth; 12, Okolona; 13, Hickory Flat; 14, Lyon; 15, Itta Bena.

Jan. 25, Eupora; 26, East End Columbus, 28, Southside Meridian, 29, Carthage.

Feb. 1, First Vicksburg, 2, First Natchez; 4, Wesson; 5, Mendenhall.

Feb. 8, First Laurel 9, First Magnolia; 11, Moss Point; 12, Poplarville.

Board Votes

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ly occupied by the book store for the personnel department; provision of lunchroom equipment; installing of new lighting on the first and second floors, and completing the loading dock in back of the building.

A camp will be built to care for 80 girls for two 5-week sessions starting in the summer of 1955 at Ridgecrest. Plans call for construction of 10 cabins, a large dining hall, an outdoor chapel, an administration building and a counselor's lounge.

Property improvements are planned for Glorieta. These include addition of conference rooms and a new housing unit.

The Board also adopted a new set of by-laws.

During a luncheon meeting of Southern Baptist leaders at the Hermitage Hotel in Nashville, the Board presented a television set to Miss Ethel Allen. She has been secretary to the Board's executive secretary-treasurer since April 1, 1908, and will retire January 1.

She served as secretary to Dr. James M. Frost, Dr. I. J. Van Ness Dr. T. L. Holcomb, and Dr. James L. Sullivan.

Dr. Holcomb paid tribute to Miss Allen. He said her work record was unusual in length and extent of service, extra service performed, and health.

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Among the more attractive minutes to reach the Baptist Record is the Copiah County minutes. Especially helpful in locating needed information is a complete index. The clerk is T. M. Farrar.

The Year In Religion

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stitutions continued the growth that has been marked in recent years. As an example, the Union of American Hebrew congregations reported in October that membership in Reform temples has tripled during the past decade.

The Synagogue Council of American, which represents Orthodox, Conservative and Reform religious bodies, announced a long-range program "aimed at strengthening the primacy of the synagogue in all aspects of Jewish life in the United States."

To launch this program the Council scheduled a national assembly of religious leaders tentatively for next May. The assembly, first of its kind in American Jewish history, will discuss the basic religious needs and problems of American Jewry.

The Marian Year of 1954, which Pope Pius XII proclaimed in a special Encyclical letter, was opened on Dec. 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception. The year commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception, which teaches that the Virgin Mary was free from Original Sin from the moment of her conception. During 1954, the major canonization ceremony is expected to be that of Pope Pius X, who was beatified during the 1950 Holy Year.

The Catholic Church suffered a new blow in its struggle with Communist-controlled regimes when the Polish government banished Stefan Cardinal Wyszynsky from his primatial See of Warsaw and removed him to an unknown place. In other European Communist states, 24 bishops are imprisoned or under house arrest along with some 6,000 priests and religious. In Communist China foreign missionaries continue to be expelled. Whereas in 1948 there were some 5,000 Catholic missionaries in that country only about 300 are now left. Many of these are in jail.

Editor's Note: Of course, Dr. Garrison's summary, however, respected, is much too limited. Baptists are very solicitous about their imprisoned leaders in Czechoslovakia and much concerned about several infected spots in the United States, namely:

1. The continued gift of government properties to sectarian interests, as the offer of twenty acres of land in Phoenix, Arizona to Brophy College for the establishment of a Jesuit University; and the outright gift of a million-dollar hospital to the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

2. The suit pending in Jemez, Pueblo, New Mexico for the right of non-Catholics to bury in the common cemetery and to conduct worship in the pueblo. Are we to adopt Spain's intolerance?

3. The suit pending in Kentucky for the ouster of sectarian teaching in the public schools.

4. The unceasing effort of some to reinterpret the Constitution in a matter to obtain tax funds for churches.

First Church Louisville, Dedicates New Building



Reaching 145 feet into the air is the graceful tower atop the beautiful new sanctuary of the First Baptist Church, Louisville, which was dedicated in special services Sunday, December 20.

In 1940, a building fund was established while the Rev. W. L. Day was pastor of the church. In December, 1949, the present pastor, the Rev. Jams H. Fairchild, was asked to name a building committee, to secure the services of an architect, and to develop the building plans. The building committee named is composed of W. A. Taylor, Building Chairman, Joe H. McCully, C. E. King, Tom Reid, Roger Kilpatrick, and Henry Fair. Total cost of the building is above \$320,000,000, \$60,000.00 of which will have been contributed during the years of 1952 and 1953. Architect for the building has been N. W. Overstreet and Associates of Jackson.

Believing that the Lord's House should be one in which the Lord can "take pleasure and be glorified", the church has provided a building that is beautiful in appearance and which is carefully planned in every detail that it might serve the maximum usefulness in its broad program of preaching, teaching, and training. Colonial in design, the building embodies four floor levels, including the top floor on which is situated a 50-ton air conditioning system. Year round heat control provides for air condition and heating throughout the entire building. The sanctuary, with a seating capacity of 1000, provides for one choir seating and two other choirs seating 20 each. Unusually good acoustics is afforded through the acoustical plaster used in the cell-

ing and a wall to wall carpet throughout the sanctuary and extending into the foyer. Colonial antique glass is found in the twelve circle head windows. On the main floor is situated the sanctuary and rooms which support its services, including a choir room large enough to accommodate the 48-voice choir, choir robing rooms, a prayer and conference room, foyer, and a lobby. The ground floor provides a large assembly room with a deep stage for dramatic presentations, complete with dressing rooms off the rear of the stage. A smaller assembly, or game room, is separated from the larger assembly room by a modern fold door which will permit the two assemblies to be used as one. A modern kitchen so arranged as to be used to serve the banquet halls through a pass window, or to be used cafeteria style, is situated so that it can serve both assemblies. There is another combination kitchenette and flower room. Also, on the ground floor are eight class rooms and a number of storage and supply rooms. Other accommodations offered in the building include the church offices and baptismal dressing rooms. Conduit is laid throughout the building to provide for a central system of communication.

Dr. J. T. McRae, Southern Baptist medical missionary to Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, has moved for a brief period of time to Gaza, Egypt. His address is c/o Church Missionary Society Hospital, Gaza, Egypt. Mrs. McRae and the family have remained in Jordan, and their address is Southern Baptist Mission Hospital, Ajloun, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Dr. McRae is a native of Bonita, Miss.

Noxapater Church Goes Over Top For Missions

It was a cold day in December when the Noxapater Church, reached 'one thousand' on the "World Missions Meter" and made heaven and earth rejoice.

With a resident membership of less than 300, the church decided to give a thousand dollars to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. All of this amount was to be a love offering.

The Brotherhood and the Womans Missionary Union agreed to sponsor the project under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Ivor L. Clark.

Special posters were designed. A giant red "missions meter" showed the progress of the united effort. Green candles were painted as each missionary organization advanced toward its goal. Candles were lighted as a goal was reached and light rays and stars showed gifts in excess of a goal.

The people caught the spirit of Christmas giving and soon the "mission meter" overflowed. A Christmas tree poster, with twenty triangles representing five dollars each, was also painted and decorated. There were rays of light coming from the star in the top of the tree which meant that over twelve hundred dollars had been contributed.

Every organization reached its goal, lighted its candle and some candles have many light rays and stars.

It was more than an offering for World Missions. It did something for the Church. It helped the people put Christ back into Christmas. Long after the mission money reaches the missionaries on the foreign fields of the world, its effect will remain with the Noxapater people as a memory that money, alone, cannot buy.

DAN CAMERON ACCEPTS TENNESSEE PASTORATE

After serving the First Church, Union, as pastor for the past two and one half years, the Rev. Dan Cameron tendered his resignation on Sunday, Nov. 29, to accept the pastorate of First Church, Union City, Tenn., effective Jan. 1.

During the time that Mr. Cameron has been at Union, there have been 240 additions to the church. The Sunday school has grown until on Nov. 15 there were 550 present. The Training Union also reached its record attendance on that day with 173 present, and a new education building has been approved by the church to be built next year to provide for 500.

Mr. Cameron is a former resident of Meridian, Miss. He was graduated from Mississippi College, Clinton, and from the Southern Seminary in Louisville.

The Camerons and their five children will move to Union City on December 29.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Kolb, Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil, are returning to the states on furlough and may be addressed c/o Guy V. Cochran, 101 Coney Street, Dublin, Ga. Dr. Kolb is a native of Blue Springs, Miss.

\$1,000 Foreign Mission Goal Passed At Woman's College—Offering Dedicated

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow," was sung by both faculty members and students of Mississippi Woman's College in the auditorium on a recent occasion, indicating that the Lottie Moon Christmas goal of \$1,000 had been reached and surpassed, totaling \$1125.

Following the Doxology and prayer the praise service continued as the girls' choral ensemble sang "Now Thank We All Our God." Student testimonies were then, given Dr. I. E. Rouse, president, recognized the visitors which included the Baptist pastors and wives of the Baptist churches in Hattiesburg as well as the W. M. U. presidents.

Ralph and Cora Joyce De missionaries from Nigeria, spoke briefly on the importance of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering and how it contributed to the entire program of the Foreign Mission Board. The offering, which was gift-wrapped was brought to the front and placed underneath the cross. The praise service ended with "Christ for the Whole Wide World" by the choral ensemble.

The \$1,000 Lottie Moon Goal, twice that of last year by the students in a chapel program previous to the Foreign Mission Emphasis Week.

The students went to work immediately to carry out plans which had been suggested by the Y. W. A. Council as ways to "make money for Lottie."

Two large posters were placed in the main hall of the administration building. The first poster consisted of a large map of the world on which were placed ten colored lights on the various mission fields. Each light represented \$100 and as the money came in the lights were turned on one by one.

The other poster contained three Christmas trees with a yellow ribbon running up the center of each and representing the three groups into which the student body had been divided; namely, Johnson

Hall, Rose Hall, and town students. As the money came in the ribbons were raised higher and higher until each reached the top thereby indicating that the \$1,000 goal had been reached and the light on the top of the tree could be turned on.

The noon-day devotional periods emphasized the weeks' activities as Mrs. H. W. Powell of Hattiesburg challenged the students to further sacrifice through the teaching of the foreign mission study course book, "Sixteen to One."

The weekly Y. W. A. program—"We have Seen His Star"—was presented on Thursday afternoon by the choral ensemble of nine girls.

"Much enthusiasm was evidenced during the entire mission emphasis period as the Woman's college students worked and prayed that the money would come in; however, I don't believe I have ever witnessed such joy and happiness on the faces of students and faculty as was shown when the \$1,000 light was turned on on the Foreign Mission map indicating that we had reached our goal. Yes, the true spirit of Christmas reigned on our campus because students and faculty realized that spirit can prevail only by giving to others," said Miss Jewel Hannah, B. S. U. secretary.

The Progressive Farmer commends to all its readers a good example of a man who about this season every year makes Christmas or New Year gifts to three other churches in addition to catching up on any payments due his own church. This man regularly makes out a check for his father's old church in another county, and one for his mother's old church. "Somehow I feel that Father and Mother must know about it," he says, "and that makes the giving doubly pleasant to me. And I always add a gift for some nearby Negro church. The gratitude of our colored people always touches my heart."

Beulah Church Has Ground-Breaking Service



The Beulah Church in Newton county had ground-breaking services for the pastor's home Nov. 22.

The deacons and the pastor each broke a spade of dirt. There has been much progress made toward the building of the home.

Over \$1000 has been given and

members have donated around 10,000 ft. of timber. 7,000 ft. of this timber has already been sawed and stacked on the church grounds.

The pastor, Rev. W. E. Overstreet came to the church in September and it is now full time. There has been 10 additions. Two more deacons have been elected.